



REGIONAL CONTRACTS OFFICE USAID SOUTH AFRICA

June 7, 2002

**SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1
Request for Application (RFA)
South Africa RFA Number 674-02-A-007
US Leadership Training for South African Department of Education**

The purpose of this solicitation amendment is to address issues raised before submission of subject applications. Please make note of the changes and notify USAID/South Africa that you have received this Amendment No. 1 to the subject RFA.

1. The closing date has been extended to 07/19/2002.
2. Any questions concerning this RFA should be submitted in writing to L Coetsee, via facsimile at (012) 328 3718 or via internet at lcoetsee@usaid.gov before June 14, 2002.
3. The official copy of the RFA can be downloaded from the USAID website.
[http:// www.usaid.gov/procurement_bus_opp/procurement/solicitation/](http://www.usaid.gov/procurement_bus_opp/procurement/solicitation/)
4. Questions and Answers:

Question (I)

Second paragraph in "Preparation Guidelines" on page 4 of the RFA:

"Government owned or controlled organizations or entities are not eligible for financing as grantees subgrantees or contractors. An organization or entity will generally be deemed to be government controlled if: a) it was created by statute; b) the government has authority to appoint or remove a majority of the members of the Board of Directors or other controlling body; and/or c) it receives a substantial part of its operating budget from government appropriations."

We have received three queries regarding this clause:

- i) Is it the intent of this RFA to preclude applications from state-supported U.S. institutions of higher learning, most of which fit this description?
- ii) Would a public university funded by a U.S. state be eligible to apply for this funding or receive funding in any way through this grant?
- iii) As a state university, does this mean that we cannot submit a proposal?

Answer

US Educational Institutions are the exception to this Guideline and may submit an application which would be considered.

Question (II):

We would like to know if the “association or consortium of United States (U.S.) based institutions equivalent to associations or consortia representing community colleges, selected high schools (up to Grade 12) and /or colleges” can include an education-oriented non-profit organization for management, administrative, coordination or M&E purposes or if the cooperative agreement will be limited solely to schools.”

Answer

Non-profit, non-governmental organizations (or for profit organizations which desire to submit a “non-profit” proposal which also includes cost sharing) are eligible to apply.

Sincerely,

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